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“PROJECT SAFE NEIGHBORHOODS” INDICTMENT

ORLANDO - A federal grand jury in Orlando, Florida, returned a three count indictment charging WALTER LEE ARGRO, JR., 44, of Orlando, with possession of cocaine base with the intent to distribute (Count One); possession of marihuana with the intent to distribute (Count Two); and possession of a firearm during and in relation to a drug trafficking offense (Count Three). Count One carries a maximum sentence of 40 years in prison; Count Two carries a maximum prison sentence of 5 years; and Count Three carries a maximum prison sentence of 5 years consecutive to any sentence imposed for the drug trafficking offenses. The case will be prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Robert E. Bodnar, Jr.

The indictment is the culmination of a cooperative prosecution effort between the United States Attorney's Office, the State Attorney's Office for Brevard/Seminole Counties, and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms (“ATF”). It is one of the first cases indicted in the Orlando area as a part of “Project Safe Neighborhoods” - a nationwide gun violence reduction initiative sponsored by the Department of Justice and ATF. Project Safe

Neighborhoods emphasizes coordination and cooperation among federal, state and local law enforcement officials in order to achieve increased enforcement of federal and state gun laws.

An indictment is merely an allegation that a crime has been committed. A defendant is presumed innocent until the entry of a guilty plea or until the defendant is proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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